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Dear Dr. Henny,

A public health crisis is looming--diseases long controlled by antibiotics are becoming more difficult to treat, illness once easily curable often fail to respond to previously effective drugs.

Scientists are convinced that drugs given to animals play a role in antibiotic resistance in human diseases.

Over time, diseases become untreatable when antibiotics are overused--by physicians, hospitals, and livestock producers. To preserve these priceless drugs, doctors and hospitals must prescribe them judiciously. But agriculture must do its part.

The World Health Organization recommends a ban on the use of medically important antibiotics to promote animal growth. Withdrawal of the drugs for growth promotion would still allow their use in sick animals.

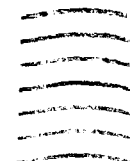
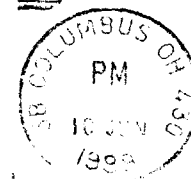
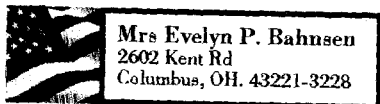
Please favor sick children over cheap chicken. I support the CSPI petition and I hope you do also! May I hear from you regarding this matter?

Sincerely,

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